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Tragedy and arson result in student death

ALEX ZAMANSKY
News Editor

On August 14th, a UOP student living in an off-campus apartment was killed in a fire. Loan Dao, also known by her friends as "Laura," was a senior in the School of Education.

According to Russ Wylie, Vice-President for Institutional Advancement, an "apparently disgruntled 19-year old Stockton man set ablaze to Dao's apartment." The young man, according to Wylie, "apparently had a disagreement with a resident of the apartment complex earlier that evening." It is not understood at this point as to why Dao was victimized.

Jorge Amando Lopez,

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This second floor of a nearby apartment complex saw the unfortunate death of a UOP student.

No kegs at Pacific

JESSICA CURLEY
Staff Writer

All residents on the University of the Pacific campus, including all of the fraternity houses, will now have to comply with three new changes in the university alcohol policy.

The new policy states that there will be no kegs or other communal containers allowed on campus at both registered and unregistered student events.

Second, there has to be enough non-alcoholic beverages and food to serve at least 70 percent of the attendees at a party.

Finally, no student event where alcoholic beverages are served may be held in the common areas of any residence on campus. Examples of common areas include bathrooms, hallways and living rooms. There is still alcohol allowed behind closed doors in a private room.

The changes went into effect last Thursday.

Dean of Students William Barr said, "This is a big change for the campus, but I think it's going to work."

These rules caused a lot of confusion and dissension among many of the students on campus, especially the members of fraternity houses because in past years those were usually the places where most of the alcohol was served.

Jorge Barriere, the Greek Council President, said, "At first, I didn't think the whole Greek Community was prepared for a change like this because we don't know how else to do it. We want to continue having parties and events in our houses because that's a main part of

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More students equal housing shortage

KRISTEN HUTMACHER
Senior Staff Writer

All the residence halls are full this year, plus some. Not only are Ritter and Eiselen open to new students, but about 25 students are also living on the third floor of Cowell Hall, which has now been dubbed Cowell Hall.

According to Janet Dial, the Director of Admissions, there are 760 freshmen with confirmed admission. The registrar's office has approximately 750 freshmen registered for classes. Dial says nothing can be totally confirmed until the add/drop date for classes (October 1) has passed. She did say this is the largest freshmen class in 15 years, about



Alicia Brafford is now the RA at the Health Center.

130 more than last year.

The number of transfer students is up also, although not quite so much. There are about 250, as opposed to last year's 230. Dial said, "It's tremendously exciting to have this

many freshmen and transfers this year."

The Office of Residential Life and Housing is excited about this year's numbers Jim Falcone, Dean of Student Life said he would "rather be able

to have all the buildings full than empty."

Not everyone shares this excitement, however. For the students living in Cowell Hall, there are a few things left to be desired. Winthrop Parker, one of Cowell's residents says of the new hall, "The only good things are the bathrooms and there's air-conditioning."

However, as of right now, there is no long-distance service, no cable, the windows don't open, the halls echo, and the only way to get in after the Health Center is locked is down on the first floor at the Public Safety entrance.

The other complaint is the distance from classes. Parker's roommate, Al Dehr comment-

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Weekend WEATHER

Today



Partly Cloudy
Hi: 79 Low: 52

Friday



Sunny
Hi: 83 Low: 52

Saturday



Sunny
Hi: 89 Low: 54

Sunday



Partly Cloudy
Hi: 91 Low: 53

College Headlines

West Virginia U. drops off top party school list



Put your beers down and take out your textbooks. The results of the Princeton Review survey has come in and West Virginia University is nowhere to be found on the party school list.

After being ranked the number one party school in the country two years ago, WVU dropped last year to number eleven, then completely vanished from the list this year.

"The Princeton Review The Best 331 Colleges" is a college profile book that is published annually. It surveyed 59,000 students at 331 colleges about their schools. The 331 schools represent the top 10 percent of the colleges in the United States. It has been an ongoing effort for the university to dismantle the party school image.

"On a whole it's positive. It stood in the way of people recognizing us as a great academic school," Hardesty said. "It gave us an image that was not true. People didn't take the school seriously academically."

With the job market and graduate school admission policies getting more and more competitive each year, a graduate from a party school is often overlooked. Several recruits in the last couple of years have been told to stay away from WVU because of its party image.

This year's top five party schools are Florida State University, University of Florida, Michigan State University, Seton Hall University and University of Mississippi.

Pulling rank on U.S. News & World Report

BOSTON — Schools lust after a high ranking in the annual U.S. News & World Report college rankings. Harvard wants to be No. 1, MIT wants to be the best technical college and schools like Boston University and Columbia just want to stop from plummeting in the rankings. So where does that leave Northeastern University?

It leaves NU wanting to move out of the "Third Tier" of colleges and to snuggle with the Top 100 of national universities. Basically the third tier means we are near the middle better than 58 percent of US universities, but worse than 42 percent. We have to ask, do these rankings measure everything — good and bad — that a college has to offer? Of course not. Therefore, who cares what U.S. News says? Are we really as anal as Harvard, always wanting to be the best? No, we're the busybodies on Huntington Avenue — NU students are studying for finals and acting professionally at their co-op jobs while administrators are gradually turning this campus around. Our ranking neglects to convey the entire NU picture. Nevertheless, the numbers that NU produced this year show a steady uphill climb that a school of its size should make each year. Its reputation rank was boosted from a 2.8 to a 2.9. Its freshmen retention rate is 78 percent, and the graduation rate is expected to grow 3 percent from last year. The task for us is to prevent ourselves from constantly comparing NU to other schools in the city. Not many schools can say they changed people's perceptions of them as a commuter school in 10 years. NU has, for the most part, done that. Instead of compiling statistics for rankings each year, U.S. News should visit the campuses, interview students and staff for a five or 10-year report that reflects each college's improvements, initiatives and promise.

Public Safety Report

August 19-25

Thefts:

Pacific Athletic Club	Aug 20	Computer equipment & camera
AKL	Aug 20	Personal Checks stolen/forged
Stadium Drive	Aug 21	Car Cover
Casa Jackson	Aug 20	Bicycle
Casa Jackson	Aug 23	Bicycle
Drama/Arts	Aug 24	Backpack w/ computer
Farley House	Aug 24	Bicycle
John Ballantyne	Aug 25	Bicycle

Fire Alarm Tampering:

Price House	Aug 21	Smoke detector activated
Phi Delta Theta	Aug 23	Damage to smoke detector

Burglary:

WPC	Aug 20	VCR
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Miscellaneous:

Unknown	Aug 20	Lost cellular telephone
Fraternity Circle	Aug 20	Unregistered party
Fraternity Circle	Aug 20	Disturbance (Fight)
Southwest Hall	Aug 21	Gas leak (evacuation)
Kensington/Alpine	Aug 22	Vehicle struck barricades
Fraternity Circle	Aug 22	Disturbance (bottle throwing)
Fraternity Circle	Aug 23	Unregistered party
Casa Jackson	Aug 25	Subject with mental problem

We would like to welcome everyone back to campus. We trust you had a good vacation away from the academic routine and are now ready to start the new semester. The staff of the Department of Public Safety is committed to assisting you in any way possible. Please feel free to call on us anytime.

The Public Safety Report is prepared by Associate Director of Public Safety Jerry Houston and published each week in The Pacifican. Questions should be directed to Jerry Houston at x. 62537

Dao

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apprehended by the Stockton Police Department faces charges of arson and murder.

Dao was an active student in campus organizations. She was a member of Pacific's Vietnamese Student Association, as well as being a member of St. Luke's Church. Mass was held for Dao at the church on Friday, August 20. Many of Pacific's students, faculty, and staff were in attendance.

"We were absolutely distressed with the tragedy that occurred," acknowledged Wylie. "This was a terrible and senseless event for Ms. Dao. She was a leader, a fine person, and a fine student."

Dao was not the only victim of the arson.

Another Pacific student, wishing to remain anonymous, lost everything she owned in the fire as she had lived in Stockton over the summer. Fortunately, she was not in the apartment at the time when the arson took place.

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rush and our recruitment." Barr said that the reason for this change in policy was because of the rules with which three national fraternities have to comply. There are two local fraternities on campus as well: Archania St. and Omega Phi Alpha. These two do not have to comply with new national rules, but the university wanted to make it an even scale for all fraternities on campus.

Director of Student Activities, Rick Morat expanded on their reasoning for the change in policy when he said, "It's to have better quality facilities, to reduce

the risk of injury and overconsumption, to reduce insurance costs for the fraternities, to empower leadership and community service among the Greek's, to increase recruitment numbers in fraternities and in general, to improve the overall image of the fraternity and sorority community."

An article in Saturday's *Record* attributed the policy change to increased alcohol arrests on campus. Vice President of Student Life, Judy Chambers says that just isn't so.

"...these changes have been under consideration for over 2 years," said Chambers, "[they] are not the result of increased problems with alco-

hol. Quite to the contrary. They are simply reflective of national trends all over the country."

Some may think that this will push students off campus to do their drinking. Jamie Sahouria, a sophomore, said, "If they're going to make this a dry campus, then they're probably going to have a drinking and driving problem." But, in fact, that is not what the administrators of the campus want.

"[This policy] doesn't mean you have to go off campus to drink," said Barr. What it does mean is that registered organizations, such as fraternities, will have to move their parties to other places on campus. These include the

Raymond Common Room; the Callison Room, which isn't completed yet, but should be by January 2000; the lawn area between Bannister Hall and the Baun Fitness Center; the Pacific Club; the President's Room and the Regent's Dining Room. For most of these places there will be a room and clean-up fee.

Although many of the members of the Greek Community may not have seen this as a positive change to begin with, Barriere thinks that good things can come

from this.

"We can actually go out and buy decent furniture without worrying about someone spilling beer on it," commented Barriere. "It was unfortunate that this had to happen, but we have to role with the times and the trends of higher education. There are a lot of misperceptions about the Greek Community and I think this is a good opportunity for us to get rid of that stigma. It's going to be a tough little juggling act, but I see nothing but positive things coming from this."

Housing

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ed, "They should give us those golf carts to get to classes."

Falcone said the Housing office will be calling no-shows this weekend to see if there are still any rooms on-campus for these students in Cowell to possibly move into.

In some ways we are very

lucky," he added. "Everyone worked together to pull it off," referring to trying to give housing to everyone who wanted it. Many returning students didn't move off-campus this year, as has been in the case in most years.

Guest rooms are being used and even some study lounges have been converted to bedrooms. Falcone added that Omega Phi Alpha and Alpha

Kappa Lambda had extra rooms and offered to let Housing put upperclassmen in those rooms, if need be, but the need hasn't arisen.

So far, most students are taking the extra people in stride. Most are having a hard time with parking, but they manage. The University is expanding and that means more people to meet.

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Prof. passes away

DOUG HINKLE
Senior Staff Writer

On June 18, Professor Robert R. Orpinela passed away due to cancer at the age of 67. A native of Pittsburgh, California, Dr. Orpinela was Professor Emeritus of Philosophy and Psychology.

Upon his retirement, Professor Orpinela was awarded the Methodist Teaching/Scholar Award in 1998 and the Order of the Pacific. Born in Sacramento, Orpinela excelled in sports as well as academics.

During his last semester at the University of Redlands on a football scholarship, Orpinela was drafted into the Korean conflict. Orpinela soon found himself at an army hospital in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. After finishing his service, Orpinela returned

to Redlands to complete his B.A.

While Orpinela discovered philosophy and went on to UC. Berkeley to receive a M.A. in philosophy. Orpinela met his wife Johnette who was a student at what is now the American Baptist Seminary of the West. In 1970, Professor Orpinela earned his Th.D and started teaching at UOP's Raymond College.

Dr. Douglas Mattheson who knew Professor Orpinela for twenty-five years described him as a "loyal and dedicated person who divided his time at the University between the psychology and philosophy department.

Mattheson recalled how in his spare time, Dr. Orpinela liked to cut wood so he would have something to burn in the winter time.

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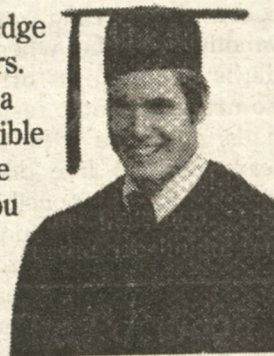
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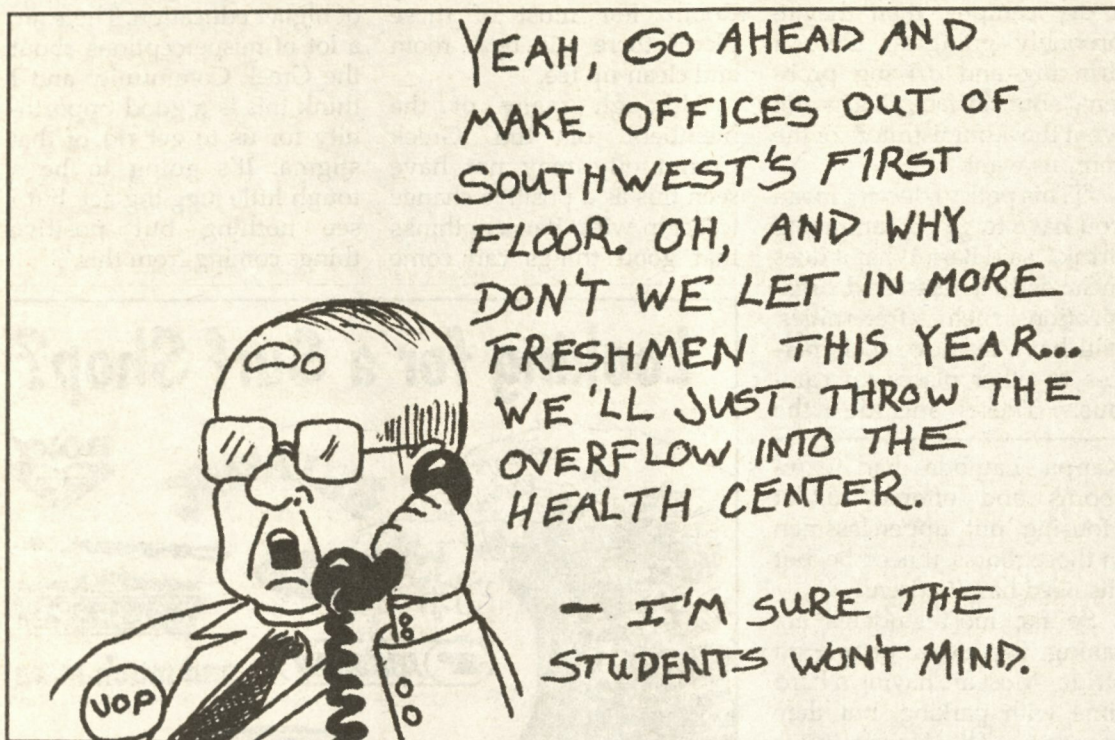
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EDITORIAL



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Stockton heat and the UOP think tanks combine

STEVE KIM
Guest Writer

Screeeeech!!! Blam, Boom, Biff! More noises from the Batman show dominate a late Saturday night on Pacific Avenue. The car was making a left into the university, probably to Grace Covell or Fraternity Circle when drunken judgement created the mangled metal monster. "The students' lives dangle in the air like the alcohol on their breaths....This is Chip reporting on the scene." Meanwhile the administrators of UOP are awoken by the screaming headaches of a PR nightmare.

The preceding dramatic telling could become reality in the not-too-distant future as UOP seeks dynamic change in its alcohol policy. Maybe it should be called the Prohibitionist policy, as it calls for the ban of alcohol consumption in the common areas of fraternities and residence halls. The areas affected by the ban will include hallways, porches, rooftops, and every other place except for private rooms with closed doors.

As I ignore the "who cares?" from the non-drinking community, I will attempt to explain its importance. We live in Stockton people! No beaches or mountains to speak of, no real nightclubs or bars to satisfy one of the human needs called "fun." So what does the average Pacific Tiger like to do for fun? We don't have nightly bowling contests at Pacific Bowl, and we don't throw darts. Instead, we drink lots and lots of Natural Ice at the animal houses known as fraternities. One, two, three, fifteen...it doesn't matter how many cans we consume, as long as we have fun and socialize in and around our favorite watering holes. This exciting social ritual occurs at least three times a week, usually around the weekends when the harsh tests of survival end.

So what are we to do when the evil forces of the unknown attempt to take away one of

our inalienable rights that our forefathers so heroically fought for? Are we to suffer and be forced to look for great boozing fun at the dreaded bars of Stockton? Are we to be bussed and carpooled to awesome parties at Stockton Rocks and hope that no one gets injured or injures anyone else? In that scenario, we would be better off if people got DUI tickets and spent the night in jail, but who needs that? UOP spends enough resources on campus police to make our den safe. Why should we have to leave when our fun can be had here?

The Dean of students, Dr. William Barr, stated that the dry-movement of the national fraternities was "the provocation" of UOP's current changes.

However, the important difference between the other schools and UOP is that only one of the colleges or universities is located in the Bermuda Triangle of Fun called Stockton.

Claudia Leyva also thinks that the new policy will be bad for everyone. "It's a big negative. Now if you want to socialize at parties, you might end up in some guy's room who you don't even know because that's where the fun is at. If you end up being the last girl to leave...."

Perhaps if the University of the Pacific was located in San Diego, New York City, Santa Barbara, Heaven, or anywhere near the Pacific Ocean, it wouldn't be that bad to have restrictions in the alcohol policy.

Unfortunately for us, Stockton is our home even if our hearts are elsewhere, so we must be allowed to extract every last bit of fun from this place. I can imagine the UOP sales pitch: Come to UOP! We have uh, um...Pacific Yogurt, Target, and this great class called Mentor.

Drinking at parties is one of the pillars of a solid and well rounded college education. As in nature, there must be a deli-

cate balance in everything, including UOP life. With eloquent papers and tests come the debauchery and the ill effects of nightlong toilet bowl worship. Everyone must have a yin with their yang. I am sure that even the good old boys of the Methodist UOP yesteryears snuck in wine with their bread and got their swill on.

When asked about the apparent shift towards off-campus partying, Dean Barr claimed that this was not the intention at all. Instead, the focus was to get the parties away from the fraternities to other sites on campus in order to "reduce the vulnerability of the students." Dr. Barr then mentioned that the people in charge of throwing the parties "might have to make a deposit for cleaning, or any other damage." With that assurance, I now know that the school will not make a pretty penny off of this new "shift of venues."

If you are a red-blooded human being who looks for a justifiable fight, I ask you to help defeat this silly, potentially dangerous new alcohol policy. I don't recall being asked to vote on how I can party. Do you? Hopefully we can get some petitioners to get some signatures and present them to our well-intentioned but sometimes misguided policy makers.

What is so special about the upcoming years that we must change a social institution (intra-collegiate drinking) that has been a part of young lives for eons? Have we stumbled across a wonder drug that allows us to perform our student duties like robots?

If you've seen the show "Futurama" you'll know that even some robots need alcohol. Have the policy makers gone Y-2Krazy? If you ask me, our administration is trying to get a simple message across to us: Let's Party like it's 1999!

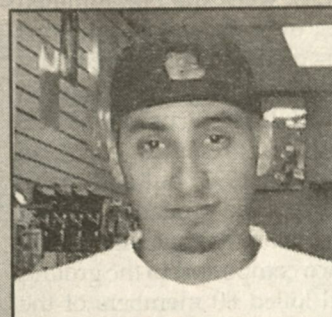
Question of the week

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How would you react if you were housed in the health center?

"I would try to make it work, even though it's not fair at all."

- Juan Miron
Sophomore

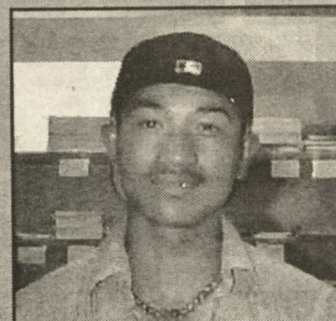


"I would reconsider going to UOP."

-Erin Quesnel
Senior

"Since it's already mandatory for freshmen to live on campus, the school should find proper housing."

- Narin Hor
Freshman



"The school has a responsibility to take care of students and provide adequate housing."

- Rachael Yang
Sophomore

"The rooms are pretty nice. But I wouldn't like being so far away from everybody."

- Tim Shepherd
Sophomore

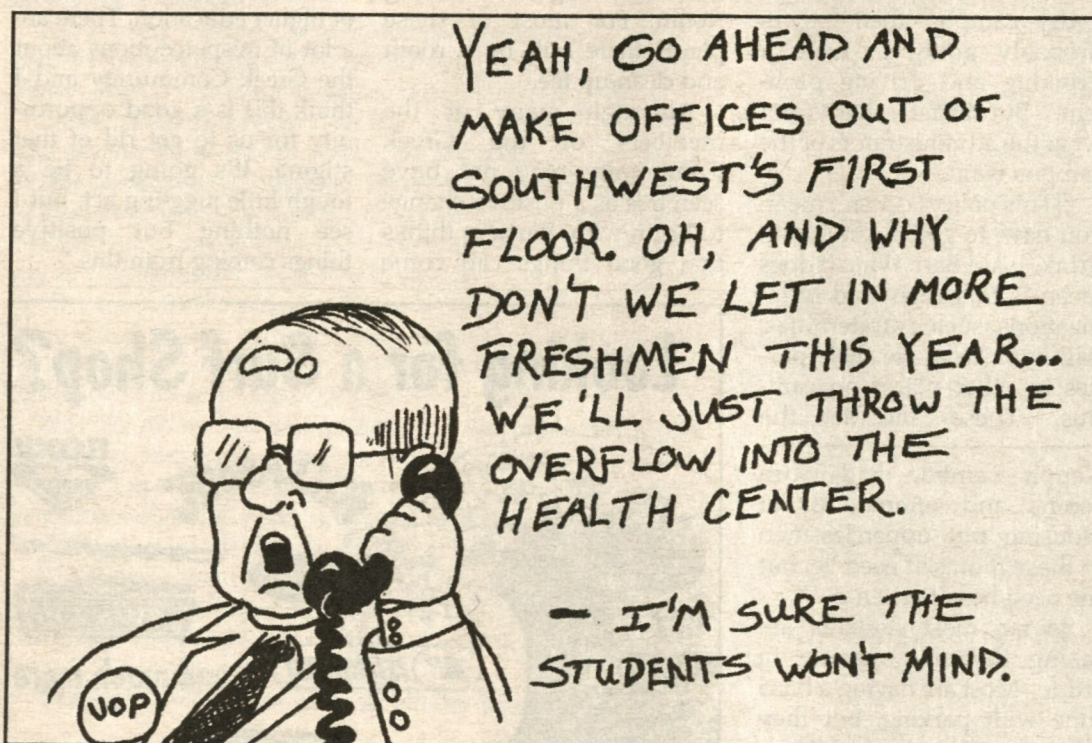


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Stockton heat and the UOP think tanks combine

STEVE KIM
Guest Writer

Screeeeeech!!! Blam, Boom, Biff! More noises from the Batman show dominate a late Saturday night on Pacific Avenue. The car was making a left into the university, probably to Grace Covell or Fraternity Circle when drunken judgement created the mangled metal monster. "The students' lives dangle in the air like the alcohol on their breaths....This is Chip reporting on the scene." Meanwhile the administrators of UOP are awoken by the screaming headaches of a PR nightmare.

The preceding dramatic telling could become reality in the not-too-distant future as UOP seeks dynamic change in its alcohol policy. Maybe it should be called the Prohibitionist policy, as it calls for the ban of alcohol consumption in the common areas of fraternities and residence halls. The areas affected by the ban will include hallways, porches, rooftops, and every other place except for private rooms with closed doors.

As I ignore the "who cares?" from the non-drinking community, I will attempt to explain its importance. We live in Stockton people! No beaches or mountains to speak of, no real nightclubs or bars to satisfy one of the human needs called "fun." So what does the average Pacific Tiger like to do for fun? We don't have nightly bowling contests at Pacific Bowl, and we don't throw darts. Instead, we drink lots and lots of Natural Ice at the animal houses known as fraternities. One, two, three, fifteen...it doesn't matter how many cans we consume, as long as we have fun and socialize in and around our favorite watering holes. This exciting social ritual occurs at least three times a week, usually around the weekends when the harsh tests of survival end.

So what are we to do when the evil forces of the unknown attempt to take away one of

our inalienable rights that our forefathers so heroically fought for? Are we to suffer and be forced to look for great boozing fun at the dreaded bars of Stockton? Are we to be bussed and carpooled to awesome parties at Stockton Rocks and hope that no one gets injured or injures anyone else? In that scenario, we would be better off if people got DUI tickets and spent the night in jail, but who needs that? UOP spends enough resources on campus police to make our den safe. Why should we have to leave when our fun can be had here?

The Dean of students, Dr. William Barr, stated that the dry-movement of the national fraternities was "the provocation" of UOP's current changes.

However, the important difference between the other schools and UOP is that only one of the colleges or universities is located in the Bermuda Triangle of Fun called Stockton.

Claudia Leyva also thinks that the new policy will be bad for everyone. "It's a big negative. Now if you want to socialize at parties, you might end up in some guy's room who you don't even know because that's where the fun is at. If you end up being the last girl to leave...."

Perhaps if the University of the Pacific was located in San Diego, New York City, Santa Barbara, Heaven, or anywhere near the Pacific Ocean, it wouldn't be that bad to have restrictions in the alcohol policy.

Unfortunately for us, Stockton is our home even if our hearts are elsewhere, so we must be allowed to extract every last bit of fun from this place. I can imagine the UOP sales pitch: Come to UOP! We have uh, um...Pacific Yogurt, Target, and this great class called Mentor.

Drinking at parties is one of the pillars of a solid and well rounded college education. As in nature, there must be a deli-

cate balance in everything, including UOP life. With eloquent papers and tests come the debauchery and the ill effects of nightlong toilet bowl worship. Everyone must have a yin with their yang. I am sure that even the good old boys of the Methodist UOP yesteryears snuck in wine with their bread and got their swill on.

When asked about the apparent shift towards off-campus partying, Dean Barr claimed that this was not the intention at all. Instead, the focus was to get the parties away from the fraternities to other sites on campus in order to "reduce the vulnerability of the students." Dr. Barr then mentioned that the people in charge of throwing the parties "might have to make a deposit for cleaning, or any other damage." With that assurance, I now know that the school will not make a pretty penny off of this new "shift of venues."

If you are a red-blooded human being who looks for a justifiable fight, I ask you to help defeat this silly, potentially dangerous new alcohol policy. I don't recall being asked to vote on how I can party. Do you? Hopefully we can get some petitioners to get some signatures and present them to our well-intentioned but sometimes misguided policy makers.

What is so special about the upcoming years that we must change a social institution (intra-collegiate drinking) that has been a part of young lives for eons? Have we stumbled across a wonder drug that allows us to perform our student duties like robots?

If you've seen the show "Futurama" you'll know that even some robots need alcohol. Have the policy makers gone Y-2Krazy? If you ask me, our administration is trying to get a simple message across to us: Let's Party like it's 1999!

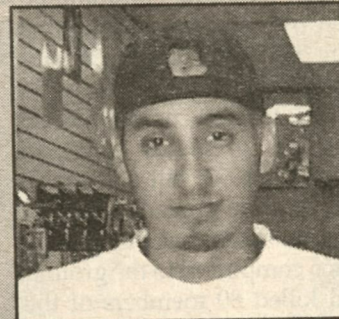
Question of the week

COMPILED BY LAUREN VANG

How would you react if you were housed in the health center?

"I would try to make it work, even though it's not fair at all."

- Juan Miron
Sophomore



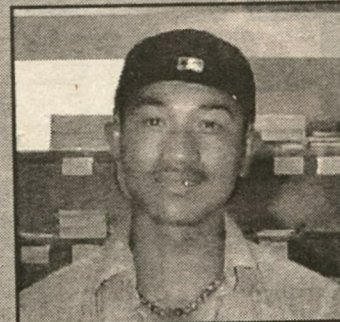
"I would reconsider going to UOP."

-Erin Quesnel
Senior



"Since it's already mandatory for freshmen to live on campus, the school should find proper housing."

- Narin Hor
Freshman



"The school has a responsibility to take care of students and provide adequate housing."

- Rachael Yang
Sophomore



"The rooms are pretty nice. But I wouldn't like being so far away from everybody."

- Tim Shepherd
Sophomore



For our view on this topic, see the Editorial on page 4.

*The Weekly Rant***FBI caught in a web of deceit****SCOTT SWITZER**
Metro Editor

Last week the FBI admitted after over six year of lying that they did indeed use incendiary devices in the Waco siege in 1993. FBI agents used M651 CS tear gas grenades early on April 19, 1993, but still maintain that the grenades did not start the fires that burned the Waco compound to the ground and killed 80 members of the Branch Davidian cult.

Attorney General Janet Reno maintains that she is "very upset" at the six year long FBI deception, but still believes that the FBI had noth-

ing to do with the deaths of the 80 cult members in Waco.

If you ask me, this story flies about as well as the weather balloon defense at Roswell. Apparently we are supposed to believe that the FBI has finally admitted this out of guilty conscience, and that after being lied to for six years, we are now being told the complete truth.

According to CIA officer Gene Cullen, several members of the "Delta Force" military unit were "present, up front and close" to the Waco siege. These members have claimed that they took an active role in the siege. Should these allega-

tions prove to be true, then this is a serious violation of federal law.

It is illegal for a member of any active military unit to take action against civilians without a specific presidential decree.

The fact of the matter is that the FBI, by their own admission, has been lying about this matter from the start.

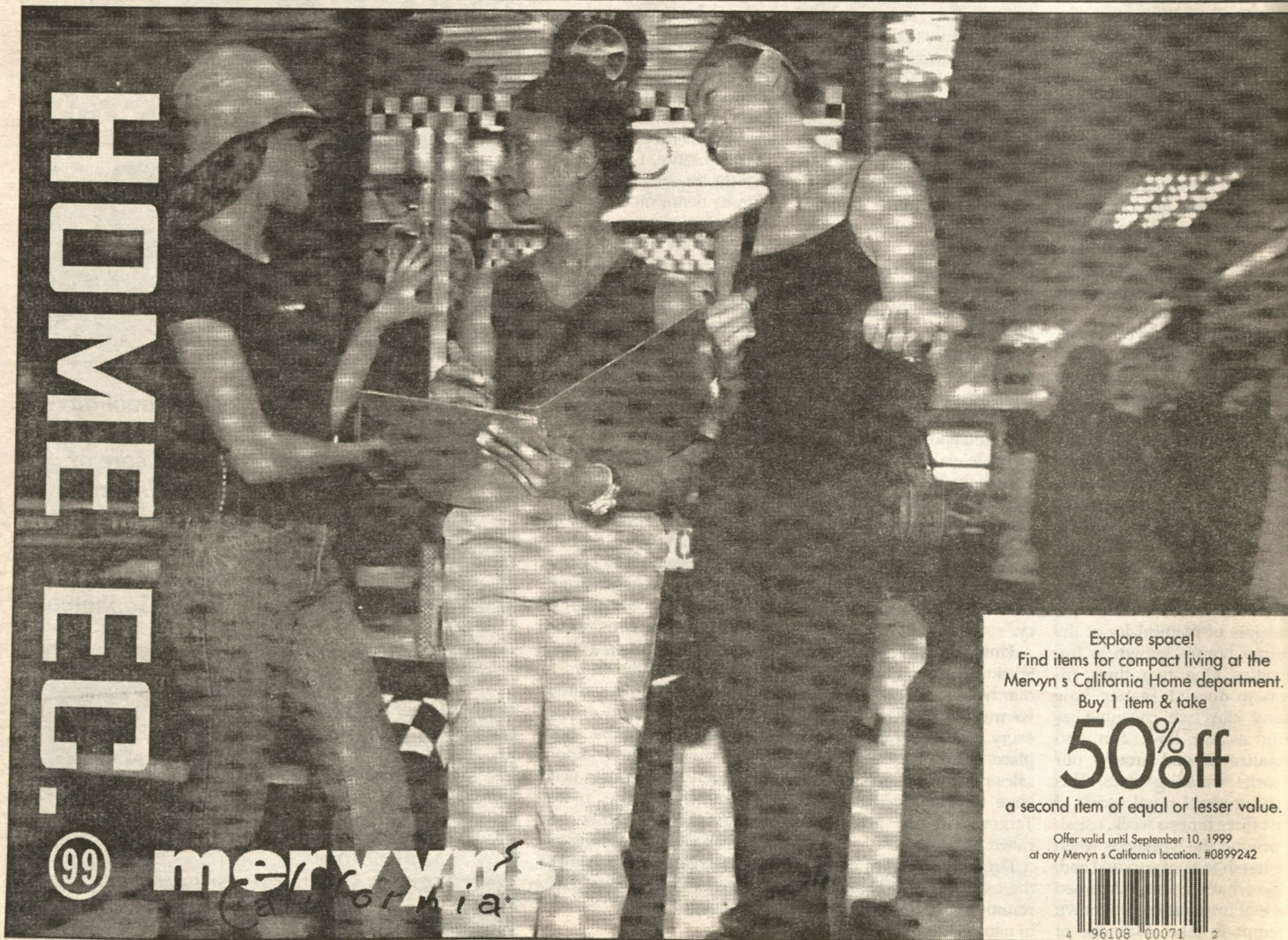
This is now under investigation, but by members of the FBI. No agency should be able to investigate its own members, as conflicts of interest are sure to arise. This matter should be handled solely by an outside agency, so that the whole truth may be exposed.

Housing*Continued from page 5*

weren't enough rooms for all the freshmen, or did they not count students and rooms until the middle of the summer? Either way, this problem should have been addressed before the freshmen arrived. The Office of Residential Life and Housing possesses an obvious lack of organization and concern for the students' needs.

Many students are currently missing out on part of the college experience by being forced to live in the health center. Perhaps a new residence hall should be built instead of a physical plant, or maybe sophomores shouldn't be required to live on campus. Another solution

would have been to put sophomores in the health center instead of freshmen because sophomores have already experienced dorm living and are used to living out of their homes. At least they have already experienced dorm living. It is a shame that UOP, an institution based on high levels of morality and integrity would deceive freshmen by failing to inform them of their less than adequate living arrangements prior to their arrival in Stockton. Perhaps those responsible for running this university should reconsider their priorities and place the needs of the students first so that we all might have equally enriching educational experiences.



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SCOTT SWITZER
METRO EDITOR
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In memory of a friend: Loan Dao

The just person, though she die early, shall be at rest...For we see the death of the wise person and do not understand what the Lord intended, for He has made her secure in His love (Wisdom 4:7).

On the morning of Saturday, August 14th, a blazing fire on the corner of Stadium and Pacific took the life of a loving daughter, sister, and dear friend-Loan Dao, who passed away exactly a month before her 23rd birthday. A university wide Memorial Service will be held in honor of Loan in Morris Chapel in the coming weeks. I would like to now take this opportunity to express to you my memories of Loan and share with you Loan's unforgettable life, as my loving tribute in memory of her.

I can still remember the first time I met Loan 3 years ago in my freshmen year. We were in the School of Education when she greeted me with her bright and friendly smile; she had just then changed her mind about studying Pharmacy, but now she wanted to study Education and become a teacher instead because she absolutely adored little children. She loved kids

and as a future teacher she was going to make a difference in their lives, and dedicate her entire life to serving them. After that initial encounter, I saw in her a mature person who displayed all the rare attributes of humor, generosity, intelligence, leadership, beauty, humility and most of all a deep faith in God. To this day, these are characteristics of her personality I admired greatly and they still remain deeply rooted in my heart and in the hearts of all her friends, and can never be burnt.

As the oldest child in a family of 6, Loan was the perfect daughter for whom her 3 younger siblings looked up to for an example, and for whom her parents held the highest of expectations. She was very active as a student on campus here at UOP as well as an active participant in her community. She was in touch with her Vietnamese language, culture and heritage, as was shown by her leadership as President of the Vietnamese Student Association (VSA) this past year at UOP. Off campus she loved to sing as apart of the choir over at St. Luke's church

and also enjoyed visiting many of the local schools in preparation for her teaching career.

Loan and I became best friends. We studied together, and shared with each other our desires and our goals, to become the best teachers we can be. We shared how teaching was the perfect way to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, because Christ himself was a teacher. His disciples and followers called him Messiah, or Master, or Rabbi, but they referred to him most of all as teacher, and so from then on our model became, "To Teach As Jesus Taught."

I remember a conversation Loan and I had after her decision to switch from studying Pharmacy to Education, she shared with me how she felt pressure from many people asking her why? Why switch and become a teacher? You wouldn't make as much money as you would if you were a Pharmacist; she wasn't sure how to respond to that question.

I would try to comfort her by telling her that teaching doesn't pay much, but the retirement benefits are "out of this world."



A dedicated tribute from a friend.

We ask that you continue to keep Loan in your prayers and also to pray for her family and friends as we continue to mourn her passing.

Loan, we your family and friends love you and miss you. We hope to cherish the many

memories you have given us; you've enriched us with your wonderful life and your reward is certainly out of this world.

Love Always,
Stephen Huynh Tran

SMART offers college pass

THE PACIFICAN

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (SMART) will implement a College Pass Pilot Program, free for the first year, for students of San Joaquin Delta College, University of the Pacific, and California State University, Stanislaus-Stockton during the 1999/2000 academic year.

The goals of the College Pass Pilot Program are to promote and encourage increased usage of public transportation by college students who currently drive to campus alone. Students participating in this program

will save money, improve air quality, and eliminate the hassles of driving.

The College Pass Pilot Program will provide full-time college students with the opportunity to get a free semester bus pass. Students may obtain an application for the SMART College Pass at the time of enrollment on campus, the SMART Administrative Office or via mail when calling SMART's Service Development Department at (209) 948-5566, ext. 625. Upon approval of the application, the program participant will be required to complete a College Pass

Agreement and will not be eligible to purchase a college parking permit during the semester.

The College Pass will allow the college student to use any of SMART's Stockton Metropolitan Area (SMA) and Intercity bus services to ride to travel to college as well as work, the library and shopping. The College Pass will also be accepted on SMA Night General Public Dial-A-Ride trips that originate at the college for return trips home.

For more information, call SMART's Service Development Department at (209) 948-5566, ext. 625.

Hometown Sports

SCOTT SWITZER Metro Editor

Welcome back to another fun-filled year at UOP. Despite certain criticism you may have heard of Stockton, this city does have a lot to offer students. This section deals with many of these things, and Hometown Sports is just the newest edition. Each week, Hometown Sports will provide a schedule for many high school athletics, eventually highlights, and hopefully even some Stockton Ports info. Enjoy!

Volleyball

Thur, September 2nd
Tracy High @ Tokay 4/5/6 p.m.

Tues, September 7th
Tokay @ Linden High 4/5/7 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Thurs, September 2nd
Tokay @ East Union High 3:30 p.m.

Wed, September 8th
Tokay @ Manteca High 3:30 p.m.

Football

Friday, September 3rd
Tokay @ Oakdale (scrimmage) Varsity and Sophomore 7 p.m.
Freshmen 5 p.m.

Girls Tennis

September 1,2
Lodi High @ Tokay (pre-season) 3:30 p.m.

Cross Country

Sat, September 4th
Oakmont Invitational at Sierra College (Rocklin)

UOP student work

JOSEPH DE VERA
Senior Staff Writer

At the beginning of each school year, students scramble to find jobs on-campus. However, most on-campus employers require students have work-study. Furthermore, many students do not have work-study and on-campus jobs are limited.

With problems like these, students seek off-campus jobs hoping to find one that pays more than minimum wage. Fortunately, UOP's location is convenient to students looking for off-campus work. There are several established restaurants on March Lane and Pacific Avenue where students have found jobs as bussers, hosts/hostesses, and waiters/waitresses. Some students work at Applebee's, Outback and Tony Roma's. Students who like the retail industry find jobs at the local malls and shopping districts. For example, Miracle Mile not only provides entertainment, but employment opportunities as well.

Off-campus jobs also give students the opportunity to work more hours than their work-study allocates. Junior Jerrold Lindevald stated, "I'd rather work off-campus because I'll be able to set the hours that I need each week."

Off-campus job opportunities give students the chance to interact with the Stockton community. Some of these off-campus jobs can also be counted as internships depending on your major. Moreover, the Career and Internship Center has a list of several local businesses that are hiring UOP students.

On the other hand, there are some jobs on-campus that do not require work-study, like ASUOP, the Bookstore, and Dining Services.

If you are having trouble finding a job on-campus, look off-campus where there are several opportunities within walking/biking distance if you don't have a car. By working off-campus, UOP students help to build rapport with the Stockton community.



Stephan Coggs, a member of the UOP Greek community, prepares for a day at McKinley Park.

Greeks help the community

Dear Editor

Once again the students from UOP have stepped up and given freely of their time to help our city be the best it can be. The clubs and fraternities have put in a lot of work helping to keep our parks and bike paths clean and safe for the youth of our city. If every school in our city came forward, as your school has done, we would be able to control the litter and graffiti problem in our community.

Some of the projects by University students include: for the second year in a row the Hmong Club

adopted Panella Park. The Community Involvement Program adopted McKinley Park. Alpha Chi Sigma adopted Atherton Park while Alpha Phi Omega worked in Caldwell Park. UOP's Engineers Society has helped clean the Calaveras Bike Path for the fifth year in a row, and Archania spent a long day in our 61 acre Oak Park cleaning and pulling a ton of weeds.

The Stockton Department of Parks and Recreation thanks all of you for your help. We congratulate the many seniors who have given their time in commu-

nity service. We know you will continue to be good citizens in whichever city is lucky enough to have you as a member of their community. Thank you all for making a difference.

Sincerely,

Tim Gallagher

Director Parks and Recreation Department

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Delta Delta Delta

The ladies of Delta, Delta, Delta would like to welcome all Greek houses, students, and faculty back to UOP for another challenging yet fun-filled semester. So far, we have gotten a great start in getting to know the new faces on campus, especially those who came to the BBQ that we hosted with Pi Kappa Alpha. The turnout was great. Thank you all who came for making it such a wonderful and memorable event. And thank you Pike for all your hard work.

We would also like all of the ladies and men who are participating in fall rush to know that we wish them a great time and best of luck. Good luck and enjoy the semester.

Delta Gamma

The ladies of Delta Gamma would like to welcome everyone home. We hope that this semester is an absolute blast. We would also like to thank Phi Delta Theta for a fabulous bar-be-que. You guys rock!!

Alpha Kappa Lambda

The men of Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity would like to welcome back all faculty, administration, returning students, new students, and new transfer students. We look forward to another excellent and fun-filled year. We encourage everyone to come by the house, and if you see any AKL's walking around campus, just say "hello." Feel free to join us for Monday Night Football.

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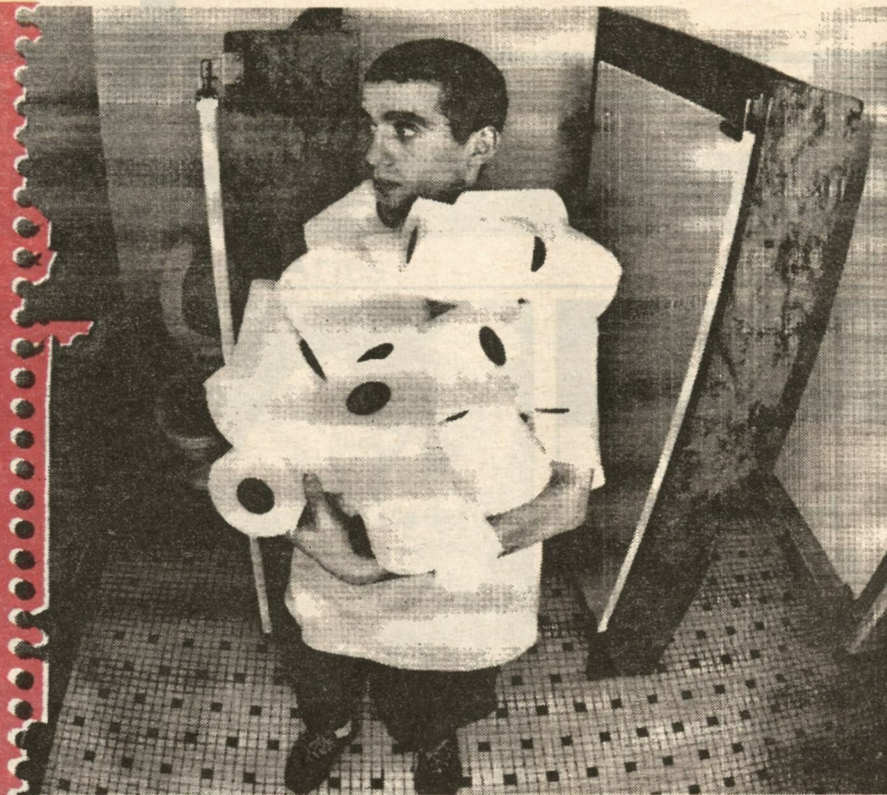
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Top Ten

Top Ten benefits of living in the Health Center

10. Friends can never say they are too sick to come over
9. Hepatitis/Tequilla shot parties are all the rage these days
8. Always plenty of Mocktails to go around!
7. It's better than living in any room in Grace
6. Missing class is easily justified with the excuse, "I was in the Health Center all night!"
5. Never again have to run to the store for some "contraceptives"
4. Very easy to register a party while living above Public Safety headquarters
3. If you drink yourself sick, there's no need for a ride to the hospital
2. "Playing Doctor" is much more fun with easy access to medical supplies
1. The Health Center lobby is NOT a common area therefore allowing its residents to throw some killer parties

Compiled by Brad Franca



This summer's pre-season 49er training camp saw many faces young and old and all excited.

Top 10 "Singles"

1. K-Ci & JoJo
"Tell Me It's Real"
2. Christina Aguilera
"Genie In A Bottle"
3. LFO
"Summer Girls"
4. Smash Mouth
"All Star"
5. Enrique Iglesias
"Bailamos"
6. Tracie Spencer
"It's All About You"
7. Backstreet Boys
"I Want It That Way"
8. 98Degrees
"I Do"
9. Sugar Ray
"Someday"
10. Destiny's Child
"Bills, Bills, Bills"

Band Review

Attila & Dave Project

LARA ZAMANSKY
Staff Writer

Last Thursday during the Pacific Hour, McCaffery Center was packed for the first time this semester with curious UOP students. They were drawn in numbers by the compelling beats provided by a local alternative band, striving to make a name for themselves in the competitive music industry.

Attila Medveczky, Dave Stevenson, and Rusty Aceves make up "The Attila & Dave Project." Their vibrant new sound, created by combining electric and acoustic guitars mixed with synthesizers and mellow vocals, creates a very relaxing yet exciting musical experience.

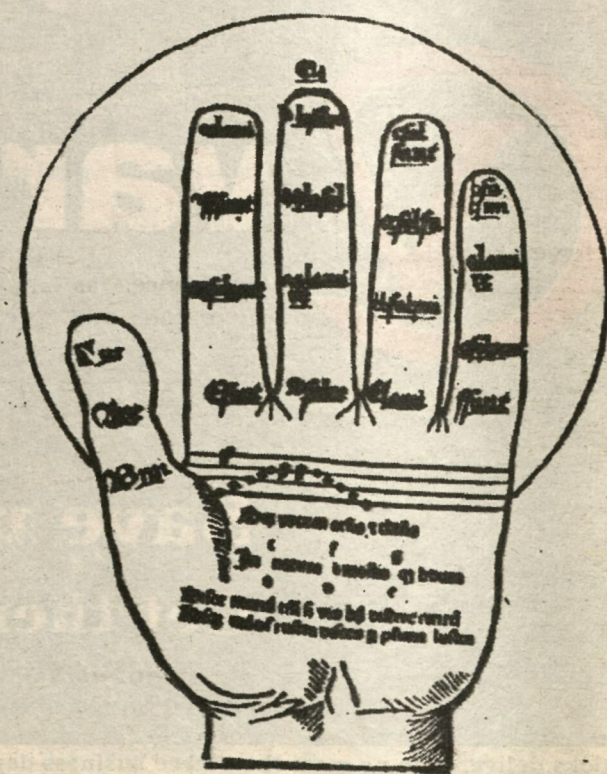
The Attila & Dave Project has started on a new album which includes the three songs on their promotional CD: "Seven Wonders in the

Sunrise," "Across 100 Summers," and "Hills and Valleys." These songs are very pleasant to listen to, in what ever type of mood in which you may be. The songs are indeed intriguing, but when you do not expect it, the band starts blasting away on the drums and cymbals to make an everlasting impact on their listeners. The music on their album is described according to the bands newsletter as, "richer, fuller conceptions and arrangements married to a generally more aggressive approach."

The Attila & Dave Project is far from trendy. The group has their own unique sound and high quality to their songs. The music is performed for all ages to enjoy. Attila, Dave, and Rusty are definitely excited to be kicking off their careers and will

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ATTILA & DAVE PROJECT



The "Attila and Dave Project" are on the road to success

The Senior Spin-off

ALEX ZAMANSKY
News Editor

Having now started what appears to be my fourth year at this school, I thought I had noticed all the quirks that make Pacific so unique. The obvious, of course, being that we are located here in "glorious" Stockton, California. Anyway, I noticed that there seems to be a security hazard at the bookstore. I find it rather fascinating that the bookstore forces students to place their backpacks outside and unprotected. As the innocent college bystander, shouldn't there be some campus security on "backpack patrol?"

I am sorry, but if someone told me that I would be making my college residence in the health center, in which I would be living down the hall from some yokel who prescribes advil when the patient really has an ear infection, I would be enraged. I'd be furious. I'd be stomping mad.

Anyone notice the new parking stickers have holograms and weird letter encryptions? What is this school coming to with this new technological advancement in regulating student parking? Oh, I know.....in an under-cover sting operation, campus investigators unraveled the student parking forgers coalition. After all, the demand for parking stickers is a hot commodity.

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Horoscopes

Aquarius

(January 20 - February 18)
Spend some money on yourself and loved ones. You work hard, and now is the perfect time to spoil yourself a bit.

Gemini

(May 21 - June 20)
Life is calm, and your path is smooth. In fact, it is too smooth to be exciting. A bit of conflict would motivate you to achieve greater results.

Libra

(September 22 - October 22)
Keep your financial advise to yourself for now. Although others may not spend their money the same way you would, they have the right to make their own decisions.

Pisces

(February 19 - March 20)
Obsess a little bit on the state of your love life. You may conclude that there are changes to be made as soon as possible.

Cancer

(June 21 - July 22)
You are compelled to act in a comical way. Use your sense of humor and wit to make friends, not enemies.

Scorpio

(October 23 - November 21)
Enthusiastic participants are so much more productive than forced ones. Luckily for you, all your team members are willing and eager.

Aries

(March 21 - April 10)
A chapter in your life has ended, and a new one is beginning. The changes make you nervous and somewhat irritable.

Leo

(July 23 - August 22)
You notice that the people around you seem to be driven by outside forces. Although you are in control of your own fate, you are not sure which steps to take.

Sagittarius

(November 22 - December 21)
As much as you might wish you could vent your frustrations, now is not the time to do so. The confidant you choose may not be as sympathetic as you think.

Taurus

(April 20 - May 20)
You are ready to tackle any new problem or learn a new lesson; you know how to ask a question.

Virgo

(August 23 - Sept 22)
You are in a powerful position. You have enough resources to make the best decisions and enough charm to bring anyone over to your side.

Capricorn

(December 22 - January 19)
Let old habits and fears fall away in order to make yourself more streamlined. A new system is coming into play, and you want to work with it.

Soap Opera Sneak Peaks

All My Children

David confides to Edmund about suspicions regarding the treatment of Dimitri. Adam warns Ryan not to hurt Hayley. Tad views one of Scott's tapes and realizes Dixie withheld the truth about her health.

Days of Our Lives

Nancy and Craig are learning that Mike was asked to return to his old job. Bo feels that only John can help bring Hope back from her "Gina" delusion. Brandon gets a job at the hospital.

General Hospital

Juan and Emily will fall asleep in each other's arms, where they are discovered by Monica. Katherine learns that she is not pregnant. Faison gives Helena the antidote for her paralysis.

The Young and the Restless

Nikki will be stunned by Victor's response when she tells him that his vasectomy might be reversed. Kay leaves for India to find Brock. Brad will intercept Ramona's fax to Victor.

Band Review

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continue to play their tunes. These young men are scheduled for a tour in Oregon and California as well.

If you are interested in the new alternative band of the year, their first album entitled, "Songs of Innocence & Experience," is in several music stores in the area. The

Attila & Dave Project is on its way to nothing but success. For more information online, log on to <http://members.tripod.com/Biangel/adp.html>

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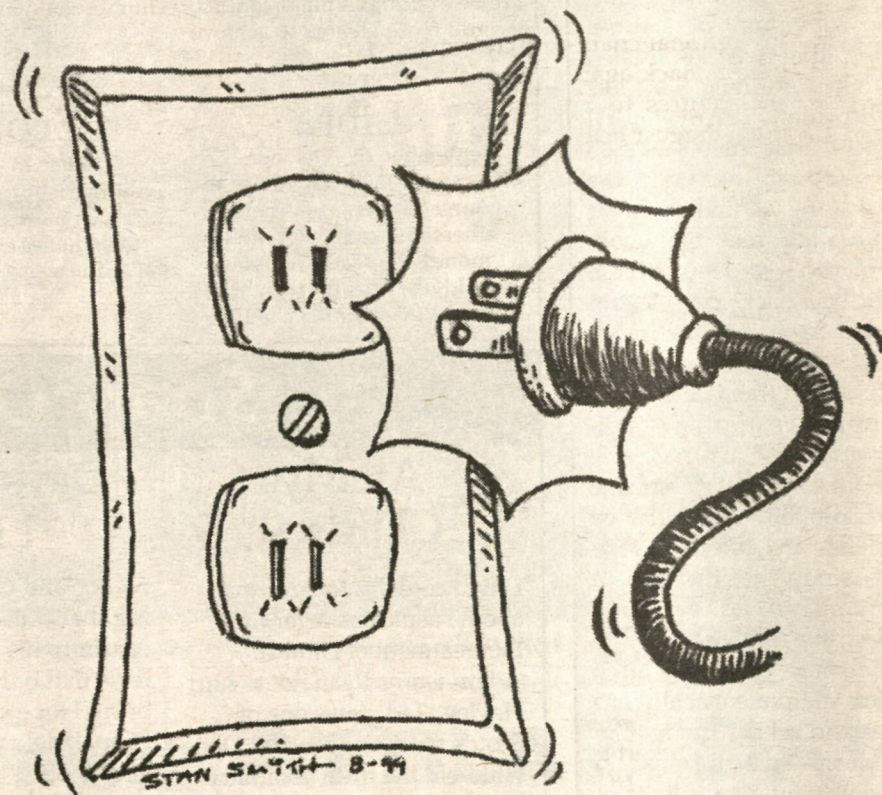
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Waterpolo

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their opponents'.

The future is bright for Coach Porter's Tigers.

"My main goal is to maintain the level of competitive play while beefing up the future with strong recruiting classes," said Porter.

After finishing the season ranked seventh in the nation with an 8-16 record coach Porter hopes to finish close to last year's ranking. Last year's victory total included a win over then undefeated and eventual national champion USC who is back again this year and figures to be one of Pacific's biggest challenges.

If possible an extra bonus would be if the Tigers could

show any improvement in their league, the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation.

"We play in the toughest league in the nation where the top seven to ten teams finish ranked in those same positions nationally," said coach Porter.

The team, which has gone from only eight players a few years ago to now over 30, is a good mix of all levels freshman through senior and is consistently improving with such strong recruiting classes. The team begins play with a NorCal exhibition scrimmage on September fourth and then starts actual play Saturday September 11 against always tough Stanford, at Palo Alto.

is out for the season.

"Vechinski will be hard to replace," said MacDonald.

It is not easy to get onto MacDonald's team either. All of the girls are no strangers to the "world of field hockey".

"Most, if not all of the girls played field hockey in high school, or at home. I actively recruit these girls. I visit tournaments, and I hold summer camps," said MacDonald. "There have been some cases where a player will write me showing her interest in field hockey. In that case I have her come for a visit."

The women's field hockey team's first game of the season is this Saturday, September 4 at Stanford. They will be up against Iowa, one of the most successful big ten division one schools.

Field Hockey

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needs for improvement," MacDonald said.

"The girls performance in the games go hand in hand with their practice habits" said MacDonald.

A problem with last year's field hockey team was that there were a lot of injuries. Tarr is optimistic, however when it comes to the fitness of this year's team.

"We all came back here in shape and prepared to start the season off with a bang. I feel that we have been practicing well, and with intensity," said Tarr.

There was one big loss to the team this year, when a junior by the name of Beth Vechinski had to have knee surgery and



Ask The Pro's

Advice for freshmen from the big men



"There is a great comic book store downtown, I highly recommend it. Besides that I think it is important to get a good start in school, apply yourself, really become dedicated to your studies."

Merton Hanks

36, Free Safety, 6'2", 181lbs, 9 yrs exp, Iowa student

"With no parents you have so much freedom, you have to really manage your time. Balance your social activity with school and extra-curricular things. That's hard at first. Good study habits are the most important."

Junior Bryant

90-Defensive Tackle, 6'4", 278lbs, 5 yrs exp, Notre Dame student



"Being a freshman in college or being a rookie on a team, it's all the same. You have to prove yourself, meet lots of people and get established. It can be scary. Just go with the flow and watch the people above you to succeed."

Ben Lynch

60- Offensive Center, 6'4", 295lbs, 1 yr exp, Cal student



"Keep your head up, you never know what will happen. Keep your mouth shut, you can't afford enemies. Work hard, it is the only way to succeed. Always go to class, it keeps the teachers on your side. But most of all have fun, enjoy school."

Angel Rubio

91-Defensive Tackle, 6'2", 307lbs, 1 yr exp, SE Missouri State student



Pacific Athletics Schedule



Cross Country
Pacific Invitational
Saturday 9/4/99
9 a.m. at Brookside Field

Women's Volleyball
Pacific vs. Washington
Thursday 9/9/99
7 p.m. at Spanos Center

Field Hockey
Pacific vs. Hofstra
Sunday 9/5/99
12 p.m. at Brookside Field

Women's Soccer
Pacific vs. Yale
Friday 9/10/99
4 p.m. at Knoles Field

Week of 9-4-99

V-ball Preview

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huge season opening wins over #3 Nebraska and #8 Florida The win over the Corn Huskers ended Nebraska's 65 match home game winning streak in the Nebraska Coliseum that stretched all the way back to August 1995. Pacific's victory over Florida was more significant considering Florida made the tournament final by defeating the nation's top ranked Penn State squad. There's an old saying in sports that "to be the man,

you've got to beat the man" and the Tigers did just that over the weekend.

Playing in the nation's toughest volleyball conference, the Tigers have their work cut out for them. The Tigers will host the Pacific Invitational Tournament September 9-11 in the A.G. Spanos Center playing Washington, Miami, Ohio and Saint Mary's. With the pre-season tournaments to tune up and a #1 national ranking eminent, Pacific seems to be in the driver's seat heading into this final season of the millennium.

Soccer Preview

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September 8 and then facing Yale and Sacramento State on September 10 and 12 at home. The break will allow the team to work through their rough waters.

"No one is expecting us to win again. It is kind of like when the Chicago Bulls lost Michael Jordan, it was hopeless," said Dinwoodie. "But we're not like that, we can pull it together, we are going to work hard. We are going to surprise a lot of teams when we finally click."

Women's Soccer Preview

EMILY DAVIDSON
Sports Editor

Rough waters ahead.

As Pacific's summer training ended and their rocky season approached head coach Keith Coleman decided it was time to take a trip. So the women of the Pacific Soccer team went white water rafting on Fairy River, proving that even vacations don't come easy this season.

After a stellar 14-2-3 overall season that resulted in the Tiger's first ever Big West Championship, and the loss of the six senior dream team, this year will be a challenge.

"It's a completely different group this year. There's a lot of talent, but it's not the same. Last year was unique," said Coleman. "You can't fill the shoes of those players, you have to find new shoes."

Pacific has brought 11 "new shoes" to the roster for the 1999 schedule. The rookies surged in from varied locations like Portland, Oregon and Heidelberg, Germany adding to the difficult task of transforming the players into a team.

"There's no magic potion to make these girls learn to play together, I wish there was," said Coleman. "Only two of the freshmen have

Women's Soccer

Coach: Keith Coleman
1998 Record: 15-3-3,
7-0-2 Big West
Summer Fun: White
water rafting
Next Home Game:
9/10 vs. Yale

ever played in the same program, with the same style before. It is going to be tough."

Returning the field after a dramatic injury that left her screaming in the mud during the NCAA playoff game against Cal with multiple leg fractures, is sophomore Monica Pires.

"I am still trying to work on improving my leg. It is mainly a mental game for me right now," said Pires. "Little things are bothering me; rehab, practice, it is all frustrating. My ankle will just get better from here on."

Also returning are seniors Jamee Lucchesi, Tara Parker, and Shelly Cena who have the great responsibility of unifying the young team.

"We are not lacking in leadership," said sophomore Ashley Dinwoodie. "It is just that our leadership hasn't really surfaced yet."

Pacific will have time to develop their leadership with non-conference games away with Saint Mary's

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Fight to be Millenium's champ

JOSH MONTERO
Senior Staff Writer

With the world caught up in the millennium hype, a nation of women's volleyball teams set out to capture the last title of the century. Among them is a Pacific squad still hungry from their third round loss to Brigham Young in last year's NCAA Championship Tournament.

This year however, the Tigers return all six starters and begin the season with an experienced, cohesive core of players. This was reflected in Pacific's pre-season #6 national ranking by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. The Tigers were also the top pick among Big West coaches to win the conference's Western Division.

A very solid Pacific squad hopes to build on last year's impressive 26-6 performance, during which they finished 3rd nationally in hitting percentage (.315), 10th in blocks (and first in the Big West) with 3.28 per game, 6th in assists (16.21 per game), and 7th in kills (17.69 per game).

Even in these earliest stages of the season, the Tigers' potential is not going unnoticed. Their appearance in last weekend's State Farm Volleyball Classic in Lincoln, Ne. was nationally televised on ESPN2. Said television analyst and former Pacific alum Heather Cox, "Pacific is back! They have truly established themselves as a powerhouse in women's volleyball. This is definitely the year for Pacific."

University of Florida (the team Pacific battled in the tourney title) head coach Mary Wise said of the Tigers, "All eyes are on Pacific because everyone knows it's their year, and they'll be great, great competitors." The glowing praise extended within the team to senior stars Elsa Steggmann and Tracy Chambers. Steggman was named the tournament MVP due to a Pacific record 39 kills in a single match against Florida. The irony is that the last time Steggman played inside the Nebraska Coliseum she left with a torn ACL that put her on the bench for her sophomore season

Women's Volleyball

Coach: John Dunning
1998 Record: 26-2,
13-3 Big West
Summer Fun: Touring
Europe
Next Home Game: 9/9
vs. Washington

"Chambers game is very impressive, and she goes hard on every play" said Cox. Said fellow commentator Holly Rowe, "Elsa is the most complete outside hitter to ever wear a Pacific jersey. Her game has become so varied she's nearly unstoppable."

Steggmann and Chambers proved that in some cases you can believe the hype. Under their lead the Tigers' achieved

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career, plus the six Fresno shots she rescued Sunday night. Seniors Jamee Lucchesi, Tara Parker and Shelly Cena have already made their field presence felt as returning forces on the field.

Lucchesi holds the school record for shots on goal in a season with her 68 attempts resulting in 11 goals in 1998. Lucchesi registered two shots and one assist against the Bulldogs.

"The seniors' biggest job is going to be communication. They have to let the younger players know what is going on, what the team's style will be.

They know how they play, they have to tell everyone how we can play together," said sophomore Monica Pires.

Freshman Rebecca Moffitt scored the single Pacific goal of the game in

the sluggish game against the Bulldogs. Fresno's Reyna Green and Susan Shivokevich produced the Bulldog's only goals in the first half.

"It is clumsy out there right now," said midfielder Ashley Dinwoodie. "We just need to learn how to play together, understand each other and move faster."

Things picked up late after the half against the Bulldogs, when Pacific began to see the urgency of the score and the clock. Their aggression was to little avail though, the second half stayed scoreless and the Tigers remained down by one waiting for a miracle until the clock ran out.

"Last year the seniors carried a big load. When we needed a miracle, they gave it to us. This year it is a lot harder to pull off something late, it's going to be tough," said Pires.

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year. I see them as being a huge asset for the team." Blonde ambition Rebecca Moffitt has shown speed and scoring skill as a rookie as well as Christine Bill who can charge the center like a pro. The problem is that they play like they just met each other. It will take some time but they should be able to piece it together to be a force to reckon with in the future.

De'ak-tivator Former ASUOP presidential candidate Jason De'ak has shown incredible motivation and school spirit with the enactment of a point program that rewards greek houses, residential halls and individual students for their attendance and support of Pacific Athletics. The program will kick-off September 25 at the women's volleyball game against rival Long Beach State with catered tailgate festivities before the match. "I don't want anyone to sit down

the whole game. I want people to get excited about UOP," said De'ak. "Women's volleyball is going to be crazy this year and I just want to ensure that the fans will be there to watch it happen." Yet another reason to become a die-hard Pacific fan this year.

Frolicking in Finland
Former Tiger Jason Williams

has begun to play basketball in Finland as a member of the Basketliagen2000 league. The 6'7" Williams was Pacific's leading scorer and rebounder in their 1998-99 season. I am sure that there is a great deal of culture shock between Finland and Stockton for this California native. Let's compare.

Stockton vs Finland

Power Cat	Reindeer
Midnight Madness	Midnight Sun
Hot Dogs	Raw Pickled Salmon
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English	Finlandssvenska
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THE SIDELINE



EMILY DAVIDSON
Sports Editor

Set Tradition Women's Volleyball has already proved themselves to be the team to watch in 99. Pacific's trip to Nebraska's Corn-field of dreams last weekend for the State Farm / NACWAA tournament resulted in big wins and big hopes for the rising team. In the competition's five year history every single tournament champion team has finished their season at the final four as either the NCAA National Champions or as the second runner up. Pacific claimed the Championship title with two stunning 5 game battles over Nebraska and Florida that were televised on ESPN 2. I strongly urge you to start watching this team when they host the Pacific Invitational September 9-11, that way you can say that you were there during Pacific's third rise to glory.

You win some you lose some As volleyball was out smashing opponents and starting rumors, the women's soccer team had a very different weekend with the end of their three year undefeated home record in a loss to Fresno State. Despite this setback, the lady Tigers have shown promise on the field for the '99 season. Amidst the 11 freshmen there is a great scattering of talent waiting to become a dynamite team. Sophomore Monica Pires commented, "There are a lot of really dangerous freshmen this

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Women's soccer gets the ball rolling

EMILY DAVIDSON
Sports Editor

Losing is hard. Losing on your home field is harder. Losing on your home field and snapping a three year undefeated home record in your first real game of the season? That's truly painful.

Sunday night's game against Fresno State University concluded in a 2-1 loss indicating that Pacific will have a long road to travel as the 1998 Big West Champions Under the guidance of head coach Keith Coleman, the Tigers' are adjusting to the loss of last

years super six seniors and the addition of 11 new freshmen to the bench.

"There is a lot of miscommunication on the field. A lot of young mistakes, a lot of hesitation," said Coleman. "But at the same time there are some really talented freshmen. They just need to mature and learn to play together, then they will be great. The key to this season is the strength of the returning players."

Returning players such as phenom goal keeper Kim McCaskey who registered 243 saves during her college

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How will Pacific perform without last year's Brooke Kenter?

Water polo hits the pool

BENJAMIN STARR
Staff Writer

College teams that consistently finish in the top ten in the nation year after year don't rebuild, they reload.

Our men's water polo team can continue its winning ways through awesome recruiting classes and a grueling summer training program.

Second year head coach Courtney Porter has brought in what he considers his best class of recruits both on the freshman and junior college level. The rookie class includes two-time high school All-American Edward Wisniewski and the junior college MVP's of both the state and southern California. Combined with top returning seniors like Andrew Tri, Patrick Donlin, and Gabe Esposto the Tigers are poised for another top-ten season. Esposto "may have a breakout season," according to

Men's Water Polo

Coach: Courtney Porter

1998 Record: 8-16, 2-6 MPSF

Summer Fun: Shaved freshmen's heads

Next Home Game: 9/15 vs. Santa Clara

coach porter after his return from a broken hand.

Coach Porter chose to have a lighter spring and then a much heavier summer. The summer program included playing on a club team followed by three weeks of two-a-day practices that freshman Bret Stewart called "one of the most physically intense experiences in my life." The summer was also a time for the team to work on a whole new defensive oriented scheme which included a more restricted offense and a concentration on ball movement and minimizing their turnovers while maximizing

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Pacific "sticks" to it

JESSICA LINDEVALD
Staff Writer

With the addition of ten new freshmen women, the future looks bright for this Pacific team, making the team an unbelievable 23 members in all.

Linda MacDonald is the coach for the women's field hockey team again this year with twelve years of experience under her belt working for UOP. Last year she led the team to a five and nine season. This season will be her second year as the head coach of the team. This year she also gained two

volunteer assistants to help with the team.

A sophomore on the team Leanne Tarr, is excited about the increase in size, and says that it is beneficial to the team as a whole.

"The skill levels of all the girls is very good," Tarr said. "The huge number of bodies the team will make everybody work that much harder in order to make sure that they have playing position. Nobody likes to sit on the bench."

MacDonald also agrees with what Tarr said.

"I didn't have as much of an option last year as I do this year to sit people out who are not working," said MacDonald.

Field Hockey is a rigorous sport which requires much stamina, discipline, and dedication. It is essential that the girls discipline themselves by eating well, working out, and even sticking to eleven o'clock bedtime curfew on nights before their games.

"The girls have one day off a week. Otherwise they practice at least two and a half hours a day, and some even stay later to focus on their own individual

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Field Hockey

Coach: Linda MacDonald

1998 Record: 5-9, 2-3 WPSF

Summer Fun: Camp Counselors

Next Home Game: 9/5 vs. Hofstra